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RED CROSS ROLL CALL BEGINS MONDAY TOWN DIVIDED INTO MANY DISTRICTS; MEMBERSHIPS ARE ONE DOLLAR EACH

Rev. A. N. Thompson, D.D.
Passes Peacefully

Next Monday is Armistice Day, and on this day each year, the American Red Cross inaugurates the annual Roll Call, throughout the nation. In every town and city, among all communities and in every state, committees will go forth to invite all to unite in the work of the Red Cross and carry, at least, a single membership, the cost of which is one dollar. However, gifts of any size are acceptable and contributions are invited. The Northfield Roll Call committee this year, headed by George W. Carr, is fully organized and the town has been divided into districts, which will be covered by assignments of members. Members of the committee are doing a patriotic service in undertaking their task and this year the Red Cross is in great need of funds, with which to meet the heavy demands which will come to them, especially with the needs caused by the enlistments of our men in the service of their country. Local citizens should have their dollar ready when the solicitor calls. Here are the districts of the town and the committee assignments:

Mrs. Genevieve Eastman, north of Wanamaker lake, East Northfield.

Mrs. Neva Barber, west side Main street, East Northfield.

Miss Helen Handy, east side Main street, East Northfield.

Mrs. William Marshall, Highland avenue, East Northfield.

Walter Waite, side streets off Highland avenue.

Mrs. Fred Huber, Winchester road and Ridge.

Roy Hatch, Birnam road, East Northfield.

Mrs. W. A. Shtatuck, Main street, central, and side streets.

Mrs. V. Hurlbut, Main street below Fountain, east side.

Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Main street below Fountain, west side.

Mrs. Richard Cobb, Warwick avenue, East street, and Parker.

Mrs. J. V. McNeil, Maple and Plains, Northfield.

Mrs. Charles Repeta, Upper Farms.

Lewis Wood, Lower Farms.

Mrs. Carroll Rich, West Northfield from Dickinson Hall, south.

Mrs. A. H. Farnum, Dickinson Hall to state line.

Horace Bolton, Schell bridge to depot.

Mrs. Gordon Moody, hotel.

Miss Gladys Elthorpe, Northfield Seminary.

The local publicity will be in charge of Mr. Hatch and Mrs. Carr will serve as secretary of the committee. All printing material for the campaign has arrived and the displays will soon be made in the local stores.

Pioneer Valley Ass'n Announce Annual Meet

The annual dinner meeting of the Pioneer Valley association, that is engaged in nationally advertising the tourist, residential and industrial attractions in Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden counties, will be held Tuesday, Nov. 19 at the Hotel Northfield.

The 1604 members of the association, that include banks, utility companies, realtors, owners of shops and stores, farmers, professional men and women and others, and a number of special guests, will hear John W. Haigis of Greenfield, president of the association, make a two-year report. Mr. Haigis also will describe the plans of the association for 1941.

The nominating committee will report at this meeting on officers, including members of the executive committee, who will take office for the ensuing year. This committee includes Alfred H. Hastings of Springfield, Lewis N. Wiggin of Northampton and Silas Snow of Williamsburg. The executive committee is made up of 70 members from each city and town in the three counties.

The dinner will be a Dutch treat affair at \$1.00 and anyone interested in hearing the program may attend either the dinner, that will begin at 6 o'clock or the business meeting, that will begin at 7:30. Reservations may be made at the Association headquarters, Nonotuck Bank Bldg., Northampton, Telephone 1910.

Mrs. Conner Writes A Cheery Message To All Friends

Dear Northfield Press Readers: When returning from a sojourn in Palestine, I wanted every church worker to have the privilege of visiting that sacred country, that we might make our Christian religion more vital in our daily living. Today, as I am thinking of all the dear friends of Northfield, to whom I would send a personal greeting, I wish that each one might be privileged to take the same trip which I took from Northfield to Winter Park, Florida.

Leaving early October 16, going down to New Haven, I was joined by a friend who is a frequent visitor at our Northfield hotel, and a lover of our town. Together we started on the "Scenic Trip to Florida": the trip that leads thru the hills and mountains of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. Swinging from east to west and back east, we reached Washington just in time for the snow storm October 19. It came so suddenly, and was so heavy, that cars were able to travel only short distances at a time, for the driver must get out to push the snow from the windshield, whose wipers had become powerless. We commented on the irony of our situation: going south to experience the first real cold and snow of the season.

In Washington our just pride in our own country rose many degrees, and we realized anew the power of an ideal. From this lovely city of granite and white marble, on down to quaint interesting old Richmond, and then to Williamsburg: so well restored thru the generosity of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Here the truth confronted us that we Northerners need much revision of our United States history, and just such a slant as visit to Williamsburg can give. Old Jamestown and Yorktown took on new significance and crossing "Hampton Road" on a ferry with a most interesting captain of ancient history became alive. Across to Portsmouth, Va., we went to carry Northfield's greetings to Mrs. Jenny and Miss Margaret Foreman, who still live in Northfield thru hallowed memories.

Again from East to West we drove across Virginia and entered that "Skyland Drive" still being built. In all my travels, never have I seen anything so marvelously glorious as that drive in its autumnal splendor. For five days we drove over this winding trail: mountains in front of us, mountains in back of us, mountains to the sides of us, all lending their grandeur to this marvelous autumnal panorama. Asheville, N. C. with its mountains, its "Grove Park Inn" a creation of grandeur among those mountains: the Biltmore estate with its palace of art collected from every corner of the earth: its largest registered Jersey herd of cattle in the world whose milk is so managed as to yield a gross profit of one million dollars annually.

At last the trip left the mountains and the far view of the flat country of Georgia was welcome, as the many days of winding and twisting thru the mountains had left the driver weary. Into Athens the sea of Georgia's University; on to Gainville, where Florida has its state university for, I drove alone, as my friend returned home from Asheville. No, not alone, for as one person after another was given a lift on his weary way, each one left something of human interest for me. One chap, only 16, whose father had gone crazy suddenly, was arranging to move the family of eight, twenty miles to the town where I picked him up, and where he and his mother would have work. One big negro, having but one leg, was grateful beyond words for a lift of 90 miles. Another Spanish war veteran had lost his all: home, wife, and son in the Florida flood 13 years ago. Discouraged and friendless, just a lift and a ride meant much to him. Thus the story of human life unfolds and is always emphatic.

A short side trip up into the mountains and we were at Crossnore, whose welfare, our own Mrs. Hoehn has so close at heart. Nearly one thousand poor white children are helped thru Crossnore in every way possible that limited funds will provide. Here boys and girls, many with no homes, are fed, housed, educated, trained for a citizenship of decency in these United States.

After driving for two weeks and one day "Orlando the Beautiful" welcomed me, and the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Coburn extended their fine spirit to me. How our tongues flew, as we read the Northfield Press and

Help Select State Bird And Name A Tree Your Ballot Will Count

In cooperation with the Massachusetts Audubon society, the State Forest and Park association is supporting a plan to have the general court petitioned to name a state bird and a state tree at the coming session. Massachusetts and Connecticut are the only states that have not named state birds and this state is one of seven that have not named their state tree. The public through their organizations, through the press and individually are invited to express their preference of the choice through a list prepared by tree and bird experts of the Arnold Arboretum, the Harvard Forest, the State Division of Forestry, and outstanding ornithologists. Here is the list of the five suggested birds: Barn Swallow, a graceful flyer, that devours insects and is a inhabitant of our barns and old houses; Bobolink, a cheerful black and white and buff that is frequently seen about our pasture lands; Chickadee, always welcomed throughout the state, to our feeding stations, a welcome addition little visitor; Song Sparrow, a brilliant songster, a friend chap, who nest near our homes; Wood duck, considered the most brilliantly colored duck in the world, a frequenter of our fresh water ponds. The list of the trees includes the American Elm, beautiful and popular and in the past planted throughout many of our towns; the Paper Birch, a northern hard wood, graceful in bark and foliage, and ornamental; Red Maple, first tree to blossom in the spring and most beautiful foliage in the fall, very ornamental; Red Oak, very desirable for street planting, a substantial shade tree; White Pine, used in reforestation and ornamental planting, very attractive throughout the year and already adopted by other states. We in Northfield ought to be interested to express ourselves in a selection from this list and to have a part in the final adoption and choice by the state. If you desire to assert yourself, fill out the ballot in this paper, sign your name and send to the editor of the Northfield Press, who will forward these expressions to the committee in charge.

Horace H. Martindale

Horace Hart Martindale, 86, a native of Gill, died at his home near Mt. Hermon campus Tuesday after a week's illness. He had been confined to a wheelchair for the past five years.

He was the son of Cyrus W. Martindale and Clarissa Goodnow. In 1878 he was married to Harriet Paul Terwilliger of Bloomsburg, Pa. His early years were spent in Arkansas, and later he moved to Pennsylvania. For 30 years he had worked at Mt. Hermon school first as a gardener and then as a fireman in the power plant. He retired at the age of 70. He was a member of the Baptist church of Bernardston.

He is survived by four daughters and two sons. These are Mrs. Clara M. Morse of East Springfield, Mrs. Elsie M. True of Skowhegan, Me., Dr. Ann M. Pelsner of Wickford, R. I., Miss Bertha Martindale, with whom he made his home; Julian T. of West Springfield and Dr. Richard E. Martindale of Edgewood, R. I. The funeral services will be held this Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Mt. Hermon chapel.

talked of Northfield people, our friends, churches, and schools and the hope centering in the new president.

At last at Winter Park with which I am charmed. Its artistic homes on ever winding streets: forty-four lakes like dots of translucent loveliness all thru the city: the magnificent oaks from which hang festoons of the air plant: Rollins College which not only serves young men and women; but puts on also a fine program of lectures and musicals for adults all winter and spring. I am filled with anticipation of contacting these big minds and souls.

Yes, "tis good to go on pilgrimages." I wish all the Northfield friends might feel the thrill I experience when I am awakened by the songs of birds, instead of the sound of the home furnace, working hard to overcome the cold of the north in November. May something come to me here which later I may share with you.

Sincerely,
Mary Andrews Conner
November 4, 1940

Display Of The Flag Should Be Understood Here Is Simple Code

The flag of a liberty loving and free people should be displayed as often as possible. The flag of the United States of America is the national emblem of our citizens, and we ought to know much about it, of its creation, of its history, for what it represents, and just how it should be honored and properly displayed. Northfield citizens are patriotic, they are loyal and true, but on days when the flag should be much in evidence, only a few may be noted in proper display. This has been commented upon frequently at various times recently, and of those displayed, improper showing has been noted. In order that the public may be more fully informed of the flag code, and by request of members of the local American Legion and by members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Press quotes from the "code" adopted at a national conference. The flag was first authorized by Congress, June 14, 1777. Of red, white and blue, it is said the red is for valor, zeal and fervency; the white for hope, purity, cleanliness and conduct; the blue, reverence, loyalty, justice and truth. The stars are emblematic of the sovereign states. The flag should always be saluted with the right hand in the proper place, generally over the heart. The flag has seven red and six white horizontal stripes with a star for each state in the blue field, in the upper quarter near the staff. Lets note how it should be displayed. The flag is displayed only from sunrise to sunset, hoisted briskly and lowered slowly. In a procession it is on the marching right, except when with other flags display it is in the center and in front of the first line. In any group of flags, it is always on the right or forward in the center. When flung from a staff out of a window, the flag goes to the peak of the staff. When displayed over the center of the highway the blue field is always to the north or to the east, according to the direction of the street. When the flag is shown against a wall, the blue field is always to the observers left. When used on a platform, flat, the blue field is at the observers left. It should never be used for decoration or to cover a speakers table. When the flag is to be flown at half staff, it should be raised, first to the peak and then lowered to half staff, which is midway in the measurement of the pole. The flag should be free of all decorations and in mourning processions, black crepe attached to the spear head is used only with proper authority. In covering a casket, the blue field is at its head over the left shoulder, and should be removed before the casket is lowered. In a church, or at an assembly the flag is always at the right, and any other flag is at the left. When a flag has become too old to be of service, destroy it reverently, and do not allow any remnant of an unused flag to be "kicked" about. Some cautions may be added in the use of the flag. It is never dipped to any person or anything. Never show it with the "union" down, that is reserved as a signal of distress. Never permit, the flag to drag or touch the ground, whether on display in a hall or in carrying it. Do not place anything above the flag on the staff nor use any drapery. For decoration use bunting of red, white and blue. Never drape the flag over a vehicle or auto, use it always, large or minature on a staff securely attached to some permanent fixture. Do not use the flag as a ceiling. Never use the flag as a costume or part of a costume and do not countenance its use on handkerchiefs, paper napkins or boxes. Never print upon the flag or use it in any way for advertising purposes. All public buildings, and schoolhouses should be provided with a staff for the proper display of the flag. The flag should also be displayed at all official public gatherings. Lets keep the flag flying high in Northfield, the emblem of liberty and freedom and of a united nation.

Re-elected President



FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

Americans went to the polls on Tuesday and throughout the nation declared their preferences. President Franklin D. Roosevelt has been returned to office by a large vote as already announced in the daily papers. Governor Saltonstall is reelected Governor of this state. Now Americans in both political parties are proving that democracy will work and all are getting together in the upward march to prosperity and success.

Seminary Students Had An Election

Wendell L. Willkie may have lost the national election this week but Northfield seminary girls say that he has been elected president by an overwhelming majority. In a straw vote taken at the seminary last Monday the election returns were as follows: Wendell L. Willkie, 363; Franklin D. Roosevelt, 82; Norman Thomas, 13. Girls away from campus for the weekend filed absentee ballots. Only a few of the faculty voted in the seminary poll.

Last Saturday afternoon the girls held a political rally with four "Jeans" as the leading participants. Jean Ford of Stockbridge presided over the affair as Uncle Sam; Jeanne Maurer of New Haven, Ct., received a tremendous ovation as Wendell Willkie; Jean Lacey of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., impersonated President Roosevelt; and Jean Grimes of Great Neck, L. I., acted as Norman Thomas. Each of the nominees delivered stirring campaign addresses and were cheered and booted with vigor by the student body.

Roosevelt was introduced by a girl impersonating Mayor LaGuardia. Uncle Sam, himself, introduced Willkie. Willkie sentiment was so strong that the Socialists and Democrats joined forces to combat it and the students knew long before the vote was taken on Monday that at the seminary, at least, Willkie won by landslide.

On Wednesday morning, following the national election, many Willkie supporters at the seminary wore black dresses to breakfast.

Congregational Church

The Congregational church announces its services for next Sunday. Sunday school at 10, with classes and an invitation for all.

Morning worship at 11 with Rev. Frank E. Dunn of Mt. Hermon as the preacher. At 7 o'clock the C. E. meets and at 8, a group of young people will conduct the evening service. Tuesday at 3 at the home of Mrs. J. R. Colton the Women's Bible class with Mrs. Gerbel will meet. Thursday at 7:15 the mid-week prayer service in charge of George W. Carr. Choir rehearsal at 8. The Women's Misionary society will meet at the church Thursday in an all-day sewing meeting.

Mothers Society

The Mother society of the Congregational church will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 3 at the home of Mrs. William Marshall on Highland Ave. The subject of the session will be "What is discipline all about" taken from the Parents magazine, also a discussion of James Lee Ellwood's book, "There is no place like home." Mr. Ellwood is known by many here because of his recent addresses at Mt. Hermon school.

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| Paper Birch | () | Bobolink | () |
| Red Maple | () | Chickadee | () |
| Red Oak | () | Song Sparrow | () |
| White Pine | () | Wood Duck | () |

(Signed) _____

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Cut out this Ballot and Mail to Editor Northfield (Mass.) PressWest Northfield and
South Vernon

Church notices, South Vernon church: This Friday at 4 o'clock the young people will meet at the church to go calling on shut-ins and hold a short service. On Saturday the Junior choir practice at 2:30 p.m. On Sunday the Haven H. Spencer Post, American Legion, will attend the morning service at 10:30. The pastor, who is a World War veteran, will offer an Armistice Day message. Sunday school at 11:45; Loyal Workers at 6:30; Evening meeting at 7:30.

On Monday the Connecticut and Western Massachusetts Advent Christian Sunday school convention will meet here. Session at 10 a.m.; Lunch at noon; Loyal Workers will meet in the afternoon. Local people are urged to attend these services. Coffee will be served at lunch.

Thursday evening at 7, weekly prayer meeting at the Vernon home.

The small home of Mr. and Mrs. John Arsenault on the road toward Huckle Hill was destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Practically all their household goods, clothing, 25 bushels of potatoes, some cash and over 200 jars of canned goods were lost. There was no insurance. Mr. Arsenault who was at home with two children, Arlene and Edmund, was asleep when the fire started. Arlene who was ill in bed, got up and ran to Arthur Jackson's for help. Mrs. Arsenault and the other children were away. The Northfield fire department was called to the scene and was able to prevent the barn from being burned. The family are living temporarily at the hunters cabin on Ernest Edson's property. Neighbors contributed articles of clothing, food, and money. Mr. Arsenault is employed at the Vernon power plant.

Ernest W. Dunklee of South Vernon was elected State Senator from Windham County Tuesday. Benjamin A. Streeter was elected town representative.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lanphear, and family, who have been living in the Belding house, have moved to the Bidwell farm in Gill.

Hugh Laplante, who was working in Royalston, has returned to the home of his mother, Mrs. Addie Laplante.

Vernon Grange will elect officers next Wednesday evening.

Windham County Pomona Grange will meet at Newfane Thursday evening. Officers will be elected.

Mrs. W. J. Weatherhead has colosed her house and gone to stay with her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Burrows. John Miner, who has lived in her home for many years is with her brother, Guy Miner and family.

The P.T. A. in Vernon and a committee from Vernon church will hold a moonlight bazaar at the Vernon Grange hall Friday, Nov. 22. There will be a harvest supper at 5:30 followed by an entertainment and dancing.

Mrs. Frank Morse returned Sunday to her home in North Charlestown, N. H. after a three weeks rest at the home of her brother, Edgar Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barnes and daughter Eleanor and Marguerite spent Sunday afternoon with their daughter Mrs. Harry Powers in Marlboro, Vt. Mrs. Powers had arranged a family surprise party in honor of Mr. Barnes' birthday, which occurred Tuesday.

Mrs. Lula Tyler is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harriet Webster in Brattleboro. She will leave soon to spend the winter in Cortland, N. Y.

William Dalton Jr. has returned home from Ft. Slocum, N. Y. having received a discharge from the army owing to illness.

Mrs. Lucy H. Folstead is ill with bronchitis in Springfield, where she is spending the winter. Mrs. Atwood of Huntington is guest of her aunt, Mrs. F. B. Holton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dunklee and son Courtland, Mrs. Gertrude Gibson and Mrs. C. I. Holton, went Friday to Schenectady, N. Y. to attend the 15th anniversary program of the Farm and Home Hour over station WGY.

The P.T. A. in South Vernon met Tuesday for business meetings and discussed plans for the coming bazaar Nov. 22.

The Toll Tillers and the Merry Workers 4-H clubs held a joint achievement program at the town hall Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Collier, Jr. were given a party by friends and neighbors Friday evening at the Pond schoolhouse.

The Vernon Public Health committee met Monday at the West schoolhouse. The district nurse reported on the clinical work which has been done.

An attendance of 98.75 percent was reported for the first two months period ending Oct. 25, by Mrs. Ruth W. Bolton, teacher at the West Northfield school.

Pupils neither absent nor tardy were Roger Bassett, James Edw. Hale, Clarence Randall, Arthur Stacey, Louise Black, Phyllis Conway, Elisabeth Holton, Vera Holton, Mary Laplante, Meredith Randall, Condace Rogers, Mary Ann Womisk.

Dutch Elm Disease
Less Serious Here

Whatever may have been said regarding the seriousness of the Dutch elm disease, and the ravages already made, it is apparent now that the disease has been halted and its spread prevented.

Reports coming in from the largely infected areas state that the disease is disappearing. The Dutch elm disease is a fungous malady that has destroyed practically all the elm trees in Europe and was brought to the United States after 1925 on burl elm logs imported from Europe by cabinet makers in the middle west.

It is carried from tree to tree by insects, especially the elm bark beetle, which lays its eggs in the shallow grooves of the bark. The devastation of the elm was feared in Northfield, because of its close approach from Connecticut and New York states, but now we can count with assurance that our elms, so beautiful along our highways, may still be preserved for years to come.

Something Lost

For the want of a nail, a shoe was lost
For the want of a shoe, a horse was lost
For the want of a horse, a battle was lost
For the want of a battle, a kingdom was lost.

For the want of a member, a speaker was lost,
For the want of a speaker, a program was lost,
For the want of a program, a meeting was lost,
For the want of a meeting, an inspiration was lost,
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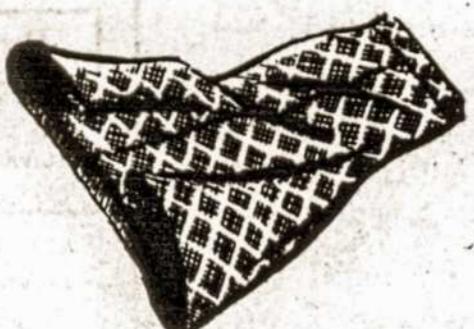
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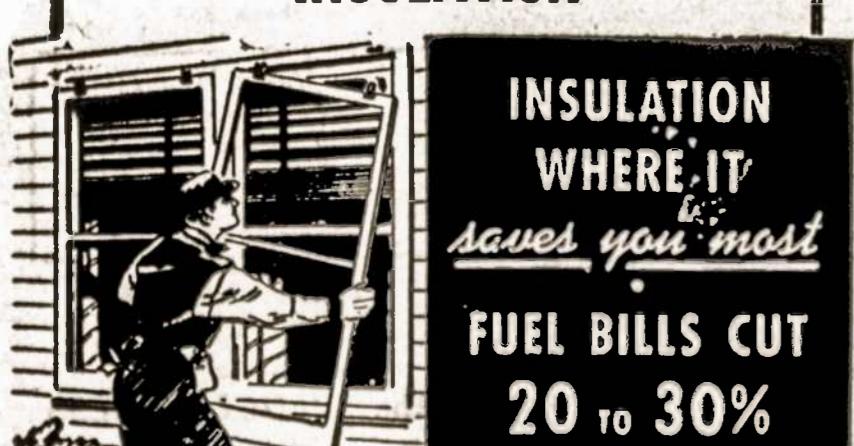
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TOWN TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. George MacMillan and Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Watson have arrived at Orlando, Fla., where they will spend the winter. They have succeeded in securing a comfortable home and in a letter say that they are enjoying the pleasant days and warm weather.

Rev. Dr. David Tompkins, who has been at the Franklin county hospital for the past seven weeks, has been brought to his home on Winchester road. He had undergone a serious operation, but is now well along toward recovery. He is able to sit up a portion of each day.

October was one of the driest months for the year, having less than an inch of rainfall. However, for several years the amount of rainfall in October has not been much more.

Mrs. Rose L. Spencer and Mrs. Carroll Miller attended a Women's Republican gathering in Springfield last week Friday.

Miss Therese Simar, who has been at her cottage on Rustic Ridge, making some improvement to her property, has closed the same and returned to her home in New York City.

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, who left Northfield two weeks ago by motor for a vacation in Florida, stopped enroute for a visit with Mrs. Jennie Forman, at Portsmouth, Va.

Milk dealers throughout the state are waging a campaign for the return of all milk bottles as they need them in their business. Please haul out all your empty milk bottles and see that they are returned to your dealer promptly.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Porter have moved into the house at the corner of Birnam road and Glenwood avenue.

There was a large attendance at the chicken pie supper in the vestry of the Vernon church on Wednesday evening. Many were from Northfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Parker have closed their home on Main street and will reside in Greenfield during the winter.

Last Saturday evening, James Koloski of Hinsdale driving a car to Amherst, met his "Waterloo" on the hill, just south of the Luckey Clapp residence, when he skidded, went right and left and into the rock side of the roadway. His car was badly damaged and had to be taken to a garage. He escaped unhurt.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the meeting of the Foreign Policy association of Franklin county at the Hotel Weldon last Saturday evening. The program presented a consideration of the platforms of the various political parties. Dr. David R. Porter, as president, presided.

Miss Helen Handy returned last Monday from her vacation, which she spent on a visit to Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Santa Fourier to San Gabriel, Calif., are visiting with Mrs. Nellie M. Wood this week. Mrs. Santa Fourier is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Wood and granddaughter of Mrs. Wood. They are leaving the end of the week for Montreal and will take a boat for Jamaica, for a visit there.

Murray Pallam of Birnam road, formerly with the Jordan Motor Sales is now employed at Pratt & Whitney at Hartford.

The Yancy club of the Second Congregational church of Greenfield held their annual business meeting and dinner at Sunset Farm Inn on the Northfield Farms road last Monday evening.

Wives of ministers of the Congregational church held a gathering at the local Congregational church yesterday (Thursday). They came from various towns and cities in western Massachusetts counties and were addressed by Mrs. Ralph Harlow of Northampton. Sessions were held during the morning and afternoon with a luncheon at noon.

Harmony Lodge of Masons will hold their annual meeting next Wednesday evening at the Masonic hall.

After two years as President of the County Foreign Policy association, Dr. David R. Porter of Mt. Hermon is succeeded by Ira B. Wheeler of Greenfield, who was elected president at the recent annual meeting.

The Women's Missionary society of the Congregational church met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Fred H. Doolittle on Ashuelot road. The Evening Auxiliary will meet this evening at the home of Mrs. Fred Pallam on Birnam road.

There was a goodly number of local Red Cross workers at the dinner tendered by Prof. and Mrs. Frank L. Boyden at the Deerfield academy Wednesday evening.

David Stevens of Mt. Hermon has gone to Camp Edwards, where he is employed on construction.

Sunday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church at 8 o'clock, there will be a young peoples forum, sponsoring Harry Erickson of Mt. Hermon who will speak on "Uncle Sam, what next." A discussion on foreign affairs will follow, with light refreshments.

Monday is Armistice Day and will bring back many memories of World War days. Be sure to display your flag.

Mr. and Mrs. Ripley and son Herbert, left on Tuesday for a three weeks visit with relatives in North Carolina. Their store on Main street is closed during their vacation.

William A. Wright of Main St., has closed his home and will spend the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon Moody have left for a vacation. They will visit with Mr. and Mrs. George Loo at Princeton, N. J. and then tour by motor in the south.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Laselle were their grandson Lawrence Durgin of Cornish, N. H. and Miss Eunice King of Raleigh, S. C.

Last week's guests of Mrs. Bessie Symonds were Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague of Brattleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Crowell of Greenland, James Sprague of Greenland and daughter Mrs. Herbert Stevens of Worcester.

The county convention of the WCTU meets at the Baptist church in Greenfield this Friday morning and afternoon.

The members of Northfield chapter, OES have been invited to the inspection of Athena chapter of Orange next Wednesday evening. Anyone wishing to make supper reservations, call Mrs. Evelyn Parker before Monday.

Kenneth Bolton and Richard Harris gave a fine talk of their experiences at the Worlds Fair at the meeting of Troop 9 of the Boy Scouts last Monday evening. John Addison passed a test in swimming, William Shattuck in thrifit and Eugene Hutchinson in thrifit and safety.

The first volunteer in the Montague district for selective service is Thomas E. Eastman 21, of Mt. Hermon, who holds serial No. 215 and whose order number is 1276. He is employed at Mt. Hermon school and is a son of Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Eastman of Slatersville, R. I.

The Festival Choral club under the direction of M. L. Gallagher of this town will begin its rehearsals next Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Junior high school at Greenfield.

Mrs. A. P. Fitt left yesterday for a visit with her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell at Lewiston, Me.

Major Robert M. Hamilton is the new commanding officer of CCC camp 1153 on the Northfield-Warwick road. He was formerly in command of the CCC camp at Lenox and succeeds Capt. Frederick C. Carlson, who has an assignment at the Boston Navy Yard.

Miss Hannah E. Cotter, who is located at Brantford, Ct. was in town on Tuesday to vote and visit friends. Many were pleased to greet her.

There will be a meeting of the local Health Council next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 at the town hall. Important business is to be considered. The meeting is Tuesday owing to Armistice Day being Monday.

Miss Mary MacDonald, former principal of Northfield high school was the weekend guest of Mrs. Frank Montague.

Charles Repeta attended a meeting of the Polish Relief committee in Springfield recently as a representative from the Greenfield chapter.

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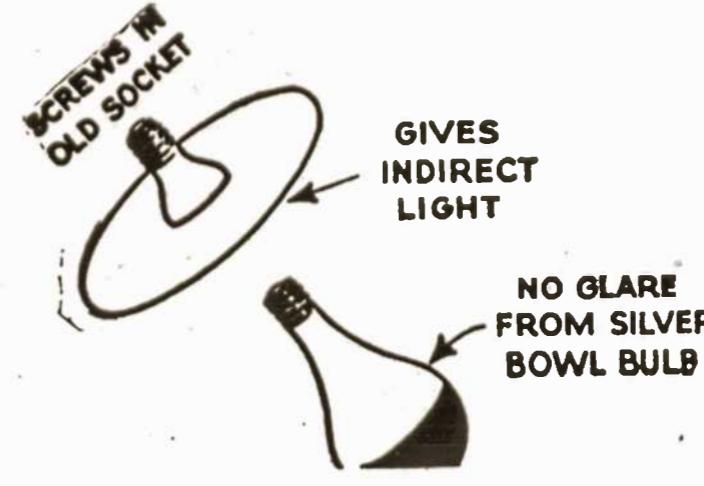
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Friday, November 8, 1940

EDITORIAL

ALL UNITED

The national election is over and as the fervor passes from an active campaign, we must unite as Americans, with the President in every endeavor to make the United States of America, the strongest and most potent nation on the face of the earth. There must be no appeasement in our policy but a strong determination to exert ourselves, for the cause of liberty and freedom, for truth and justice, for righteousness among our own people and for all the peoples of the world. Political differences should be forgotten, now that the election is over, and everyone should get in step for a brighter and better future. The world is "sad and dreary" lets bring on the "sunshine."

The Back Yard Gardener
By G. O. Olson

With election over, we back yard gardeners can begin to enjoy the fall flower shows. Incidentally they had a mighty excellent one up at the State College this week put on by the horticultural division. They have one every year, and they certainly are worth attending. This year the central feature was an old time Oriental garden.

Another show that I'm going to attend closes Sunday night. This is the annual fall flower show of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and will be held in their horticultural Hall in Boston. Again chrysanthemums are going to be the feature of the show. From what I read in the papers the Gardner Museum is going to put on a magnificent display of their famous Cascade chrysanthemums. Alex Cumming, Jr., of Bristol, Ct., who is an outstanding chrysanthemum man, will have some of his new developments on display. And Miss Indicum will also have a coming out party. In

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case you are not acquainted with the lady, Miss Indicum (maybe it's Mrs.)—well, she is the original Chinese chrysanthemum from which the present-day mums were developed. And of course in addition to the mums there will be numerous other floral displays.

And speaking of attractive floral ladies, I made the acquaintance this summer of Lady Mahonia. I have inquired around and seem unable to find why this handsome evergreen shrub is not planted more commonly here in Massachusetts. Of course one reason perhaps is that Mahonia needs a little consideration as to where she is used. She needs a humid soil and a sheltered location, sheltered from strong winds and the sun, not only in summer but also in winter.

Certain species—*aquifolium*, *repens*, *pinnata*—are hardy as far north as Massachusetts. *Japonica* will also grow here if well sheltered. The leaf is very similar to holly. In fact, the *aquifolium* is known as the holly barberry. In addition to beautiful foliage, the shrub has lovely yellow flowers in the spring and these ripen into dark blue berries.

It is easily transplanted, so they say, and usually reproduces by suckers although seed can be sown in the fall or in the spring if stratified.

In other words, I think I'm going to try a few of these shrubs for the shady side of the house in order to provide color during the winter.

F'ermont - Seminary
Sunday Speakers

Dr. Howard Thurman of Howard University in Washington, D. C. will speak at both of the seminary Sunday services. Dr. Thurman is well known in Northfield as he has spoken in Sage Chapel several times, both during the school year and the summer conference season. Morning worship will be at 11 and vespers at 5.

The Rt. Rev. John T. Dallas, Bishop of New Hampshire, will speak at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel on Sunday morning at 10:30. Bishop Dallas is one of the favorite speakers of the Mt. Hermon student body.

The Hampton quartet will be at Mt. Hermon for the vesper service at 5:30 Sunday, and at Sage Chapel, seminary, at 8 p. m. These famous negro singers from the Hampton Institute in Virginia are familiar to Northfield schools' audiences also since they sing here almost every year.

Auto Goes Over Bank

In the early hours of last Friday morning a car driven by Lewis K. Wilder, 20, of South Vernon and containing George Richardson, 20, and Wallace Richardson, 22, both of this town, left the roadway just beyond the underpass of the railroad, where the electric cables cross the road and dropped down the embankment. They were traveling south, and Wilder told the police the weather was foggy and they had mistook the corner for the main road. They were returning from Halloween parties at Brattleboro and Hinsdale. The car was badly damaged but no one was hurt.

Northfield Grange

There will be a very important meeting of the Grange next Tuesday evening. All members are expected to attend. Officers will be elected for 1941.

Conn. Valley Pomona will meet with Northfield Grange next Wednesday. Supper will be served at 7.

The upper committee of the Grange for November is composed of Mrs. Howard Skinner, Mrs. Kenneth Miller and Miss Blanche Edson.

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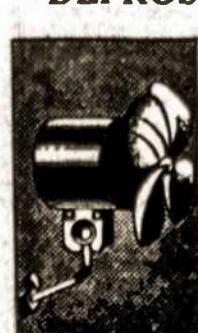
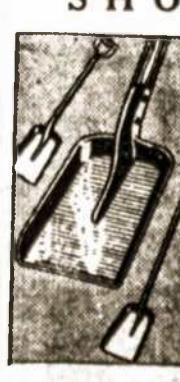
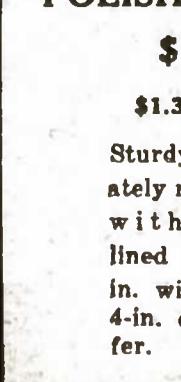
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